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Mr. James Dufour Safety & Environmental Control Division Oak Ridge Operations Office P. O. Box E Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830

Dear Jim:

The Division of Biomedical and Environmental Research regularly solicits evaluations from specialists of research proposals submitted to the Energy Research and Development Administration for financial support. These reviews are of considerable value and assistance to the Division staff in their evaluation of proposals.

We would appreciate your review of the enclosed proposal by Drs. Robert L. Goldsmith and Ronald J. Byrnes, Walden Research Division of Abcor, Inc., entitled "Development and Demonstration of a Personal Monitoring System for Exposure to Hydrogen Fluoride."

Comments directed towards the following points would be particularly valuable: the need and importance of the proposed research, its scientific merits, and adequacy of the proposed personnel and facilities. The substance of your comments and even verbatim passages may be transmitted to the principal investigator for his response. However, such transactions will be treated on a confidential basis and thus you and your institution will not be identified.

A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for the return of the proposal and for your comments. An early receipt of your review would certainly contribute much to our being able to reach a faster decision on this proposal. Should you have any questions, please do not hesito contact me at (301) 353-3213 or FTS 233-3213.

Sincerely,

Daniel Lillian

Physical & Technological Programs Division of Biomedical and

Environmental Research

Enclosures: As stated